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Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

3 p.m. — 16th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

General Committee

3 p.m. — 3rd meeting — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items [7]

(a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Saint Lucia (A/61/233)

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/234)

Main Committees

First Committee

9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m. — 16th meeting — Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items (items 82 to 97): *item 82* (A/61/133 and A/61/133/Add.1); *item 83* (A/61/183 and A/61/190); *item 84* (A/C.1/61/L.22); *item 85* (A/61/161 and A/C.1/61/L.35); *item 86* (A/C.1/61/L.50); *item 87* (A/61/140 (Part I), A/61/140 (Part II) and A/C.1/61/L.1); *item 88* (A/C.1/61/L.45); *item 89* (A/C.1/61/L.10); *item 90* (A/61/98, A/61/112, A/61/113, A/61/114, A/61/116, A/61/118, A/61/118/Add.1, A/61/124, A/61/127, A/61/127/Add.1, A/61/159, A/61/159/Corr.1, A/61/159/Add.1, A/61/159/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/164, A/61/168, A/C.1/61/5, A/C.1/61/L.3, A/C.1/61/L.4, A/C.1/61/L.5, A/C.1/61/L.6, A/C.1/61/L.7, A/C.1/61/L.8,

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[Other documents: A/C.1/61/1, A/C.1/61/2, A/C.1/61/4 and A/C.1/61/INF/1]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. 12th meeting Conference Room 4

Questions relating to information (A/61/21, A/61/21/Add.1 and A/61/216) [34]

General debate

Action on draft resolution A (A/61/21, chapter IV)

Action on draft resolution B (A/61/21, chapter IV)

Action on draft decision (A/61/21, chapter IV)

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Conference Room 2

Interactive dialogue between the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions on the theme "Regional dimension of globalization and interdependence"

Presentations on the following sub-themes, followed by an exchange of views:

Innovation and the competitiveness of the transition economies: Mr. Marek Belka, Executive Secretary, ECE;

ICT: Driving innovation in Asia-Pacific: Mr. Kim Hak-Su, Executive Secretary, ESCAP;

Promoting an enabling environment to foster knowledge and innovation for development: Ms. Mervat Tallawy, Executive Secretary, ESCWA;

Nurturing alliances for regional and interregional cooperation in science and technology: Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, ECA; and

Infrastructure, institutions and capacity-building to foster innovation for development: Mr. José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary, ECLAC

3–5 p.m. Conference Room 2

Panel discussion on the theme "Social policy in an era of globalization"

Panellists:

Prof. Laura Tyson, Dean, London Business School;

Prof. Kaushik Basu, C. Marks Professor of International Studies and Professor of Economics, Cornell University; and

Dr. Michal Rutkowski, Director, Human Development Department, Middle East and North African Region, World Bank

Moderator:

Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs

[*Note*: The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Dolores Lois (tel. 1 (212) 963-2184, fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Vivian Pliner, Acting Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935). Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail maillard-lejano@un.org).]

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 21st meeting Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights questions (A/61/36, A/61/97, A/61/220 and A/61/280) [67]

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Conclusion of general discussion

3–6 p.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights questions (A/61/36, A/61/97, A/61/220 and A/61/280) [67]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/61/211, A/61/267, A/61/281, A/61/287, A/61/289, A/61/306, A/61/311, A/61/312, A/61/324, A/61/325, A/61/338, A/61/340, A/61/348, A/61/352, A/61/353, A/61/384, A/61/464, A/61/465, A/61/476, A/61/506[1] and A/61/513[1])

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/61/276, A/61/349[1], A/61/360, A/61/374, A/61/369, A/61/469, A/61/470, A/61/475, A/61/489 and A/61/504)

Introductory statement by the High Commissioner for Human Rights, followed by question time

Introductory statements, followed by question time

General discussion

[1] To be issued.

[*Note*: The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations are kindly requested to consult the draft programme of work of the Third Committee (A/C.3/61/L.1) prior to contacting the Secretariat with their request for inscription on the list (contact Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5722, fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations that have not submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).]

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Fifth Committee

3 p.m. 8th meeting — Conference Room 3

Programme planning (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog.1), A/61/6 (Prog.2), A/61/6 (Prog.3), A/61/6 (Prog.4), A/61/6 (Prog.5), A/61/6 (Prog.6), A/61/6 (Prog.7), A/61/6 (Prog.8), A/61/6 (Prog.9), A/61/6 (Prog.10), A/61/6 (Prog.11), A/61/6 (Prog.12), A/61/6 (Prog.13), A/61/6 (Prog.14) Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog.15), A/61/6 (Prog.16), A/61/6 (Prog.17), A/61/6 (Prog.18), A/61/6 (Prog.19), A/61/6 (Prog.20), A/61/6 (Prog.21), A/61/6 (Prog.22), A/61/6 (Prog.23), A/61/6 (Prog.24), A/61/6 (Prog.25), A/61/6 (Prog.26), A/61/6 (Prog.27), A/61/125, A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1) [118]

Conclusion of general discussion

Afternoon[1]–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Pattern of conferences (A/61/32, A/61/129, A/61/129/Add.1, A/61/300 and A/61/499))

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 8th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

Sixth Committee

10 a.m. 8th meeting — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives (A/61/119, A/61/119/Add.1 and A/61/119/Add.2) [76]

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts (A/61/222 and A/61/222/Add.1) [75]

Requests for observer status in the General Assembly [153]

Observer status for the OPEC Fund for International Development in the General Assembly

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.3

Observer status for the Indian Ocean Commission in the General Assembly

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.2

Observer status for the Association of Southeast Asian Nations in the General Assembly

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/61/L.4

3–6 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Economic and Social Council Chamber
	Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 100 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism)	

Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism

Morning[1]–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

[*Note*: The list of speakers for agenda items 76 (Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives); and 75 (Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marissa Amores (tel. 1 (212) 963-5332, fax 1 (212) 963-1963)). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (room S-3460; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).]

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 8th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive session on human resources management	

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Ms. Katarzyna Kukier (Poland), under agenda item 51 (b) (International Financial System and Development)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Husniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 55 (e) (Integration of countries with economies in transition into the world economy)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil), under agenda item 53 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity - International Year of Biodiversity)

From 5 to 6 p.m. in the *Trusteeship Council Chamber*.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities — International Year of Natural Fibres)

From 5 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Informal briefing

The Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund will hold an informal briefing on "Ending child hunger and undernutrition initiative", which is on the agenda of the 2007 first regular session of the Board. The briefing will take place *today*, 18 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Wednesday, 18 October 2006

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction, under agenda item 90 (x) (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

9–9.30 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty, under agenda item 96 (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

9.30–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Italy)

10 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the in-depth study on violence against women, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of France and the Netherlands)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the promotion and protection of the rights of the children, under agenda item 63 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Lebanon)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, under agenda item 60 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia, under agenda item 90 (bb) (First Committee) (convened by the delegations of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 18 October 2006

JUSCANZ Group

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

2006 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on international migration and development)

9.30 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the Outcome of the World Summit on Social Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (Workshop on "Governance and oversight: Towards a better understanding") (open to all interested Member States)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on international trade and development)

1–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

2–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on globalization and interdependence)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on sustainable development; agenda items 53 (g) and 54)

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Latin American and Caribbean Group

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

African Group (Second Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Other activities

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Wednesday, 18 October 2006

Conference on "Sustainable urban design" (organized by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), in cooperation with the Institute for Urban Design, Toyo University, the Building Social Housing Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 4.45 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend.]

Informal presentation and discussion on "Linking development and small arms: Policy development, field programming and research" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and the Quaker United Nations Office)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

[All are invited to attend.]

Panel discussion on "Children in armed conflict: Advocacy and beyond" (organized by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Laurence Gérard, OSRSG/CAAC (tel. 1 (917)-367-3422).]

Special ceremony in observance of World Food Day 2006 on the theme "Investing in agriculture for food security" (organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)

From 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>

Wednesday, 18 October 2006

Room S-226

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 19 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m. — 36th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [103 (a)]

Main Committees

First Committee

Informal consultations

The secretariat of the First Committee will hold informal consultations with interested delegations regarding the content of the Web site of the Committee, on Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), informal presentation of the draft resolution on trade, under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 to 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Katarzyna Kukier (Poland), under agenda item 51 (b) (International Financial System and Development)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 69 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Husniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 55 (e) (Integration of countries with economies in transition into the world economy)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia) under agenda 55 (b) (International Migration and Development)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8;

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

Monday, 30 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

Wednesday, 1 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 3 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on the theme "Issues in scaling-up of development aid flows" on Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The lead discussant will be Ms. Benu Schneider, Chief of Debt, Finance and Systemic Issues Unit, Financing for Development Office, DESA; and panellists will include Mr. Louis Kasekende, Chief Economist, African Development Bank; Mr. Elliot Harris, Advisor, Policy Development and Review Department, International Monetary Fund; and Ms. Nora Lustig, Director, Poverty Group, Bureau of Development Policy, UNDP.

The event, organized by the Financing for Development Office, DESA, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Second Committee, and moderated by Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Third Committee

Listed below is the tentative schedule for introductory statements by Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives, Independent Experts and other special mechanisms who will be presenting reports to the Third Committee:

Thursday, 19 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Paul Hunt (Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health); Mr. Ibrahim Salama (Chairperson-Rapporteur, Working Group on the right to development, Commission on Human Rights) – Oral report; Mr. Jorge A. Bustamante (Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants)

3 p.m.

Mr. John Dugard (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967)

Friday, 20 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Paolo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea); Ms. Sima Samar (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan)

3 p.m.

Mr. Titinga Frédéric Pacéré (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); Mr. Akich Okola (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi)

Monday, 23 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Philip Alston (Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions); Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders); Mr. Manfred Nowak (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment)

3 p.m.

Mr. Walter Kälin (Representative of the Secretary-General on the human rights of internally displaced persons); Ms. Asma Jahangir (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Leandro Despouy (Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Martin Scheinin (Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism); Ms. Yakin Ertürk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences) – Oral report; Mr. Bernards Andrew Nyamwaya Mudho (Independent Expert on the effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights)

3 p.m.

Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food)

Monday, 6 November (agenda items 65 and 66):

10 a.m.

Mr. Doudou Diène (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance); Ms. Amada Benavidez de Pérez (Chairperson of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination)

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Thursday, 19 October 2006, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

The 9th meeting of the Sixth Committee will be held on Monday, 23 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to begin its consideration of agenda item 78 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session).

List of speakers

The list of speakers for agenda item 78 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marissa Amores (tel. 1 (212) 963-5332; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)).

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on the follow-up to the World Summit Outcome on strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, convened by Mr. Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu Aguirre (Mexico), on Thursday, 19 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 231st meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Monday, 30 October 2006, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, with a view to considering and adopting the draft report.

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

Second session

The second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will take place from Monday, 30 October, to Friday, 3 November 2006, in Conference Room XX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of observers to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; e-mail ffdoffice@un.org). For further information, please contact Mr. Masa Ohyama, Financing for Development Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695; e-mail ohyama@un.org).

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on improving coordination of efforts against slavery and trafficking in persons, under agenda item 98 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the effects of atomic radiation, under agenda item 29 (Fourth Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations to present the draft resolution under agenda item 69 (a) (Streghtening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations) (Third Committee) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on trafficking in women and girls, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Meeting of co-sponsors of draft resolution on the arms trade treaty (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of the United Kingdom)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, under agenda item 67 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the situation in Afghanistan, under agenda item 16 (convened by the delegation of Germany)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber;

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations of the subscribing States to the Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation, under agenda item 90 (l) (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the implementation of human rights instruments (torture), under agenda item 67 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on elimination of racism and racial discrimination, under item 65 (a) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Slovenia)

Friday, 27 October 2007, from 3 to 5 p.m. in conference Room B.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Non-Aligned Movement (informal briefing by the Uzbek high-level delegation)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Human Rights

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

African Group (Third Committee experts)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Arab Group (at the expert level)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Briefing by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe to update Member States of the Commission on the work of ECE in the context of the changing needs and development priorities in the region

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Meeting of Legal Advisers

Monday, 23 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in *Conference Room 8*; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For more information, please contact Ms. Laura Fahndrich (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail faehndrich@un.org).]

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

UNITAR briefing on "Operationalizing the Peacebuilding Commission"

Thursday, 2 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengärtner (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).].

UNITAR/OLA Seminars on Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

French Seminar

Tuesday, 7 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.45 p.m. in Conference Room E; and

English Seminar

Wednesday, 8 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and *Thursday, 9 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Enforced disappearance — Information meeting on the draft international convention for the protection of all persons from enforced disappearance (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

Thursday, 19 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[The draft international convention will be presented to the General Assembly for approval at its sixty-first session. For further information, please contact Mr. François Vandeville (tel. 1 (212) 702-4963; e-mail francois.vandeville @diplomatie.gouv.fr); press contact: Mr. Axel Cruau (tel. 1 (212) 702-4943; e-mail axel.cruau@diplomatie.gouv.fr).]

Briefing by the President of the International Court of Justice to State members of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Briefing by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on its *World Investment Report 2006*

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[All are invited to attend.]

Panel discussion on "Women and peace consolidation: Ensuring gender justice when political determination meets socio-economic realities — The case of Liberia" (sponsored by the Co-Chairs of the Partners for Gender Justice in Conflict Affected Countries (Sweden and South Africa), in cooperation with UNIFEM and the International Legal Assistance Consortium)

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Vina Nadjibulla (tel. 1 (212) 906-6177; e-mail vina.nadjibulla@unifem.org).]

Special event on "Maximizing economic benefits and strengthening resilience in SIDS through sustainable tourism — Implementing the Mauritius Strategy" (organized by UN-OHRLLS and UNWTO)

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Om Pradhan (tel. 1 (917) 367-5387; e-mail pradhano@un.org); or Mr. Rafeeuddin Ahmed (tel. 1 (212) 906-5375; e-mail rafeeuddin.ahmed@unifem.org).]

Special event on "How can SIDS benefit from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)?: Resources to meet the objectives of the Mauritius Strategy" (organized by UN-OHRLLS)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Om Pradhan (tel. 1 (917) 367-5387; e-mail pradhano@un.org); or Mr. Robert Enholm (tel. 1 (917) 367-4116; or e-mail enholm@un.org).]

Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Monday, 30 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October and November, according to the following schedule:

Monday, 30 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Arabic*
Tuesday, 31 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*
Wednesday, 1 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *English*
Thursday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*
Friday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*
Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

All meetings will take place in Conference Room 8.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Wednesday, 4 October 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at Columbia University Law School and UNITAR Visitors Programme at New York University School of Law, for diplomats accredited o the United Nations

The deadline for registration is Monday, 23 October 2006. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org; or info@unitarny.org).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 17 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

34th plenary meeting *Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council* [103 (a)]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 103.

Since one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled, the Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to an eleventh round of balloting (fourth unrestricted ballot).

The results of the eleventh round of balloting (fourth unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	191
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	191
Abstentions	8
Required two-thirds majority	122

	Votes
Guatemala	107
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	76

On the eleventh round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to a twelfth round of balloting (fifth unrestricted ballot).

The results of the twelfth round of balloting (fifth unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	1
Number of valid ballots	191
Abstentions	7
Required two-thirds majority	123

	Votes
Guatemala	107
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	77

On the twelfth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to a thirteenth round of balloting (sixth unrestricted ballot).

The results of the thirteenth round of balloting (sixth unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	5
Required two-thirds majority	125

	Votes
Guatemala	112
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	75

On the thirteenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to a fourteenth round of balloting (seventh restricted ballot).

The results of the fourteenth round of balloting (seventh restricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	191
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	191
Abstentions	7
Required two-thirds majority	123

	Votes
Guatemala	108
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	76

On the fourteenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to a fifteenth round of balloting (eighth restricted ballot).

The results of the fifteenth round of balloting (eighth restricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	7
Required two-thirds majority	124

	Votes
Guatemala	107
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	78

On the fifteenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to a sixteenth round of balloting (ninth restricted ballot).

The results of the sixteenth round of balloting (ninth restricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	8
Required two-thirds majority	123

	Votes
Guatemala	108
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	76

On the sixteenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

There remained one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States to be filled.

The Assembly decided, on a proposal by the President, to postpone to the afternoon the balloting for that seat.

35th plenary meeting *Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council* [103 (a)]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 103.

Since one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States remained to be filled, the Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure, to the seventeenth round of balloting (seventh unrestricted ballot).

The results of the seventeenth round of balloting (seventh unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	190
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	190
Abstentions	8
Required two-thirds majority	122

	Votes
Guatemala	104
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	78

On the seventeenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to the eighteenth round of balloting (eighth unrestricted ballot).

The results of the eighteenth round of balloting (eighth unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	191
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	191
Abstentions	6
Required two-thirds majority	124

	Votes
Guatemala	100
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	85

On the eighteenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to the nineteenth round of balloting (ninth unrestricted ballot).

The results of the nineteenth round of balloting (ninth unrestricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	6
Required two-thirds majority	124

	Votes
Guatemala	107
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	79

On the nineteenth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to the twentieth round of balloting (tenth restricted ballot).

The results of the twentieth round of balloting (tenth restricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	9
Required two-thirds majority	122

	Votes
Guatemala	102
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	81

On the twentieth round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to the twenty-first round of balloting (eleventh restricted ballot).

The results of the twenty-first round of balloting (eleventh restricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	192
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	192
Abstentions	12
Required two-thirds majority	120

	Votes
Guatemala	101
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	79

On the twenty-first round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

The General Assembly proceeded to the twenty-second round of balloting (twelfth restricted ballot).

The results of the twenty-second round of balloting (twelfth restricted ballot) were as follows:

Number of ballot papers	191
Number of invalid ballots	0
Number of valid ballots	191
Abstentions	12

Required two-thirds majority

Guatemala
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

On the twenty-second round of balloting none of the countries obtained the required majority.

There remained one seat from among the Latin American and Caribbean States to be filled.

Programme of work

The President informed the General Assembly that the next series of balloting would take place on Thursday, 19 October 2006, at 10 a.m.

Main Committees

First Committee

13th meeting

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (82 to 97)

The Committee continued its second stage of work, namely the "Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under items 82 to 97."

Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco, Spain, Suriname, Ethiopia, Denmark, Cameroon, India, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Bulgaria, Benin and Yemen.

A statement was also made by the representative of Pakistan (who introduced the draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.41).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

11th meeting

Question relating to information

The representative of Bangladesh, in his capacity as Rapporteur of the Committee on Information, introduced the report of the Committee on Information contained in documents A/61/21 and A/61/21/Add.1.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate with statements by the representatives of Azerbaijan, the Russian Federation, Colombia, Japan, India, Pakistan, Angola, South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Sudan, Nepal, Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and the Congo.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Second Committee

Macroeconomic policy questions [51]

(c) External debt crisis and development

(d) Commodities

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.6 and A/C.2/61/L.7

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-items.

The representative of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) introduced draft resolutions A/C.2/61/L.6 and A/C.2/61/L.7.

Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development [52]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.5

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

The representative of South Africa, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced the draft resolution.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance [69]

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.9

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The representative of Liberia introduced the draft resolution.

Macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development [51 (a)]

Introduction and general discussion

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard introductory statements by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and the President of the Trade and Development Board.

A question was posed by the delegation of Benin, to which the Secretary-General of UNCTAD responded.

General discussion

The Committee held its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77), Indonesia (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)), the Russian Federation, Pakistan, Morocco, Viet Nam, India, Cuba, Bangladesh, the United States, China, Senegal and Australia (on behalf of the Cairns Group).

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement.

14th meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions [69 (b)]

*Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/61/L.8**

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

The Secretary made a statement.

Following the introduction of the draft resolution, the representative of the Philippines announced the following additional sponsors: Afghanistan, Cambodia, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Morocco, Myanmar, Singapore and Thailand.

Macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development . . . . . [51 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by the representatives of Ukraine (on behalf of GUAM), Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Mozambique (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), Brazil (on behalf of MERCOSUR), the European Commission (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, as well as Ukraine and Moldova), Benin (on behalf of the Group of the Least Developed Countries), Zambia, Myanmar, Malaysia, Mali, Uganda, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Qatar, the Sudan, the Republic of Korea, Belarus and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

A statement was made by the observer for the Holy See.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Common Fund for Commodities and the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

A statement was made by the representative of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

A concluding statement was made by the Director, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, UNCTAD.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement.

Third Committee

19th meeting

Indigenous issues . . . . . [64]

(a) Indigenous issues

(b) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

The Committee continued its general discussion and heard statements by the representatives of Myanmar, Cuba, Guatemala, Nepal, the Philippines, France, Belize (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and Cameroon.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 64 (a) and (b).

20th meeting

Advancement of women . . . . . [61 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.10

The representative of the Netherlands introduced the draft resolution, also on behalf of France, as well as Chile, Costa Rica, Fiji, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Luxembourg, Morocco, New Zealand, Slovakia, Switzerland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Lebanon, Madagascar, Mozambique, Peru, Slovenia and Sweden joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . . . [63 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.12

The Secretary orally corrected the draft resolution.

The representative of Cuba then introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the Member States of the United Nations that are members of the Non-Aligned Movement.

Promotion and protection of human rights: implementation of human rights instruments [67 (a)]

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action . . . . . [67 (d)]

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-items and heard an introductory statement by the Officer-in-Charge of the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Statements were made by the representatives of Liechtenstein, Japan, Uzbekistan, China, the Republic of Korea, Colombia, Australia (also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand), Bangladesh, Iraq and Georgia, under sub-item 67 (a).

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

Fifth Committee

7th meeting

Pattern of conferences . . . . . [121]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairperson of the Committee on Conferences, Ms. Nonye Udo, introduced the report of that Committee (A/61/32).

The Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/61/129, A/61/129/Add.1 and A/61/300).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/61/499).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the EFTA countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova, which aligned themselves with the statement), the United States, Bangladesh, the Russian Federation, the Syrian Arab Republic, China, Pakistan and Ethiopia.

The Chairperson of the Committee on Conferences and the Under-Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management made concluding statements.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these questions.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on that day, Tuesday, 17 October, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Alejandro Torres Lepori (Argentina).

Programme planning [118]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairperson of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, Mrs. Norma Taylor Roberts, introduced the report of that Committee (A/61/16).

The Controller introduced the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog.1), A/61/6 (Prog.2), A/61/6 (Prog.3), A/61/6 (Prog.4), A/61/6 (Prog.5), A/61/6 (Prog.6), A/61/6 (Prog.7), A/61/6 (Prog.8), A/61/6 (Prog.9), A/61/6 (Prog.10), A/61/6 (Prog.11), A/61/6 (Prog.12), A/61/6 (Prog.13), A/61/6 (Prog.14)/Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog.15), A/61/6 (Prog.16), A/61/6 (Prog.17), A/61/6 (Prog.18), A/61/6 (Prog.19), A/61/6 (Prog.20), A/61/6 (Prog.21), A/61/6 (Prog.22), A/61/6 (Prog.23), A/61/6 (Prog.24), A/61/6 (Prog.25), A/61/6 (Prog.26), A/61/6 (Prog.27)) and proposed revisions to the biennial plans and priorities for the period 2006-2007 (A/61/125).

The representative of the Office of Internal Oversight Services introduced the reports of that Office (A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1).

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; the EFTA countries Iceland and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, as well as Ukraine and Moldova, which aligned themselves with the statement) and Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group).

Sixth Committee

7th meeting

The rule of law at the national and international levels [80]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 80.

Statements were made by the representatives of Liechtenstein, the Sudan, Switzerland, Mexico, Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), Ethiopia, Malaysia, Japan, China, Cuba, Sierra Leone, Zimbabwe, Trinidad and Tobago, South Africa, the United Republic of Tanzania, Thailand, the Republic of Korea, Israel, India, Belarus, Algeria and the Russian Federation.

Measures to eliminate international terrorism [100]

The Committee established a Working Group on Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism and elected H.E. Mr. Rohan Perera (Sri Lanka) as Chairman.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendments to the Convention on the International Maritime Organization, (institutionalization of the Facilitation Committee). London, 7 November 1991

Acceptance: Argentina (17 October 2006)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000

Territorial application to Aruba: Netherlands (17 October 2006)[1]

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Accession: Maldives (17 October 2006)[1]

Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Stockholm, 22 May 2001

Accession: Maldives (17 October 2006)[1]

Treaty event

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network
Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Opening for signature

The above Agreement was adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its sixty-second session by resolution number 62/4 on the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network, held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 12 April 2006.

It shall be open for signature by States, which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, at Busan, Republic of Korea, on 10 and 11 November 2006, during the Ministerial Conference on Transport, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 16 November 2006 to 31 December 2008.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russian texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as feasible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued and signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credentials alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement could notify and, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Gambia
H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Kenzo Oshima

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Miloš Prica

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Cordovez

Western European and other States:
Liechtenstein
H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 17 October 2006.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-first session
A/61/341	Item 65 of the provisional agenda — Right of peoples to self-determination — Use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/374	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on the human rights situation and the activities of her Office, including technical cooperation, in Nepal — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/384	Item 67 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Civil and political rights, including the questions of independence of the judiciary, administration of justice, impunity — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/469	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Situation of human rights in the Sudan — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/475	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Progress report by the independent expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
A/61/476	Item 67 (b) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Missing persons — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/489	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Situation of human rights in Turkmenistan — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/504	Item 67 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Situation of human rights in Myanmar — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/516–S/2006/813	Item 13 — The situation in the Middle East — Identical letters dated 13 October 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

A/61/L.4 Item 108 (d) — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization — 15-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

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A/C.1/61/L.18 Item 94 — Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects — 42-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.19 Item 90 (p) — General and complete disarmament: implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction — One-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.20 Item 90 (h) — General and complete disarmament: nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas — 25-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.21 Item 90 — General and complete disarmament — One-Power draft resolution — 2010 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons and its Preparatory Committee [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.22 Item 84 — Verification in all its aspects, including the role of the United Nations in the field of verification — One-Power draft decision [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.25 Item 90 (r) — General and complete disarmament: assistance to States for curbing the illicit traffic in small arms and light weapons and collecting them — One-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.26 Item 90 (s) — General and complete disarmament: problems arising from the accumulation of conventional ammunition stockpiles in surplus — 2-Power: draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.27 Item 97 — Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction — One-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.29 Item 92 (c) — Review of the implementation of the recommendations and decisions adopted by the General Assembly at its tenth special session: report of the Conference on Disarmament — 6-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.30 Item 90 — General and complete disarmament — 31-Power: draft resolution — United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.33 Item 91 (g) — 8-Power draft resolution — Regional confidence-building measures: activities of the United Nations Standing Advisory Committee on Security Questions in Central Africa [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.35 Item 85 — Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security — 9-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.1/61/L.36 Item 90 (o) — Transparency and confidence-building measures in outer space activity — 16-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

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A/C.1/61/L.47	Item 90 (x) — General and complete disarmament: implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction — 60-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/C.1/61/L.48	Item 96 — Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty — 43-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/C.1/61/L.49	Item 90 (w) — General and complete disarmament: reducing nuclear danger — 16-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/C.1/61/L.52	Item 90 (v) — General and complete disarmament: measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction — 24-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
A/C.1/61/L.54	Item 90 (bb) — General and complete disarmament: establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in Central Asia — 5-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
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A/C.2/61/L.9	Item 69 (b) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries or regions — One-Power draft resolution — Humanitarian assistance and reconstruction of Liberia [A C E F R S]
A/C.2/61/L.10	Item 69 (b) — Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: special economic assistance to individual countries — One-Power draft resolution — International assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola [A C E F R S]
	Third Committee
A/C.3/61/3	Item 118 — Programme planning — Letter dated 12 October 2006 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chairman of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/61/L.12	Item 63 (a) — Promotion and protection of the rights of children: promotion and protection of the rights of children — 2-Power draft resolution — The situation of the Lebanese children [A C E F R S]

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S/2006/805	Draft resolution [A C E F R S]
S/2006/811	Letter dated 4 October 2006 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2006/812	Letter dated 13 October 2006 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/61/516–S/2006/813	Identical letters dated 13 October 2006 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/Agenda/5551	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]
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Official meetings

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Security Council

9.45 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Other matters

Morning[1]	5552nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

3 p.m.	172nd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

10 a.m.	36th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [103 (a)]

Announcement

The rearrangement of the front page of the *Journal of the United Nations* is in accordance with paragaph 15 of General Assembly resolution 60/286 of 8 September 2006 (A/RES/60/286).

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Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 17th meeting Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items (items 82 to 97): *item 82* (A/61/133 and A/61/133/Add.1); *item 83* (A/61/183, A/61/190 and A/C.1/61/L.46); *item 84* (A/C.1/61/L.22); *item 85* (A/61/161 and A/C.1/61/L.35); *item 86* (A/C.1/61/L.50); *item 87* (A/61/140 (Part I), A/61/140 (Part II) and A/C.1/61/L.1); *item 88* (A/C.1/61/L.45); *item 89* (A/C.1/61/L.10); *item 90* (A/61/98, A/61/112, A/61/113, A/61/114, A/61/116, A/61/118, A/61/118/Add.1, A/61/124, A/61/127, A/61/127/Add.1, A/61/159, A/61/159/Corr.1, A/61/159/Add.1, A/61/159/Add.1/Corr.1, A/61/164, A/61/168, A/C.1/61/5, A/C.1/61/L.3, A/C.1/61/L.4, A/C.1/61/L.5, A/C.1/61/L.6, A/C.1/61/L.7, A/C.1/61/L.8, A/C.1/61/L.13, A/C.1/61/L.15, A/C.1/61/L.16, A/C.1/61/L.17, A/C.1/61/L.19, A/C.1/61/L.20, **A/C.1/61/L.21***, A/C.1/61/L.23, A/C.1/61/L.25, A/C.1/61/L.26, A/C.1/61/L.30, **A/C.1/61/L.32***, A/C.1/61/L.34, A/C.1/61/L.36, A/C.1/61/L.37, A/C.1/61/L.38, A/C.1/61/L.39, A/C.1/61/L.40, A/C.1/61/L.41, A/C.1/61/L.42, A/C.1/61/L.43, A/C.1/61/L.44, A/C.1/61/L.47, A/C.1/61/L.49, A/C.1/61/L.52, A/C.1/61/L.54, **A/C.1/61/L.55**, A/61/169, A/61/169/Add.1, A/61/171, A/61/171/Add.1, A/61/261, A/61/288, A/61/293, A/61/344-S/2006/741 and A/61/520); *item 91* (A/61/130, A/61/130/Corr.1, A/61/137, A/61/157, A/61/163, A/61/215, A/61/365, A/C.1/61/L.9, A/C.1/61/L.12, A/C.1/61/L.14, **A/C.1/61/L.24**, A/C.1/61/L.28, A/C.1/61/L.31, A/C.1/61/L.33 and A/C.1/61/L.51); *item 92* (A/61/180, A/61/297, A/C.1/61/L.11, A/C.1/61/L.27 and **A/C.1/61/L.29**); *item 93* (A/61/160 (Part II), A/C.1/61/L.2 and A/61/140 (Part II)); *item 94* (A/C.1/61/L.18); *item 95* (A/61/123 and A/C.1/61/L.34); *item 96* (A/61/134, A/61/184 and A/C.1/61/L.48); and *item 97* (A/C.1/61/L.27)

[Other documents: A/C.1/61/1, A/C.1/61/2, A/C.1/61/4 and A/C.1/61/INF/1]

[*Note*: The secretariat of the First Committee will hold informal consultations with interested delegations regarding the content of the Web site of the Committee, *today*, 19 October 2006, from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room A.]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. 13th meeting Conference Room 4

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects [33]

Introductory statement by the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations

Interactive dialogue

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 15th meeting Conference Room 2

Globalization and interdependence (A/61/486) [55]

(a) Globalization and interdependence (A/61/286)

(b) International migration and development (A/60/871, A/61/187, A/61/73, A/61/91, A/61/170, A/61/230, A/61/315, A/61/316, A/61/321, A/61/343, A/61/345, A/61/346, A/61/506, A/61/515 and A/C.2/61/2)

(c) Culture and development (A/61/86, A/61/321 and A/61/378-S/2006/761)

(d) Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption (A/61/177)

(e) Integration of the economies in transition into the world economy (A/61/269, A/61/93, A/61/126 and A/61/181)

Introduction and general discussion

3–6 p.m. 16th meeting Conference Room 2

Globalization and interdependence (A/61/486) [55]

(a) Globalization and interdependence (A/61/286)

(b) International migration and development (A/60/871, A/61/187, A/61/73, A/61/91, A/61/170, A/61/230, A/61/315, A/61/316, A/61/321, A/61/343, A/61/345, A/61/346, A/61/506, A/61/515 and A/C.2/61/2)

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Continuation of general discussion

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Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 23rd meeting Conference Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.14

2. Promotion and protection of human rights questions (A/61/36, A/61/97, A/61/220 and A/61/280) [67]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/61/211, A/61/267, A/61/281, A/61/287, A/61/289, A/61/306, A/61/311, A/61/312,

A/61/324, A/61/325, A/61/338, A/61/340, A/61/348, A/61/352, A/61/353, A/61/384, A/61/464, A/61/465, A/61/476, A/61/506 and A/61/513[1])

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/61/276, A/61/349[1], A/61/360, A/61/374, A/61/369, A/61/469, A/61/470, A/61/475, A/61/489, A/61/504 and A/61/526[1])

Introductory statements, followed by a dialogue with:

Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health

Chairperson-Rapporteur, Working Group on the Right to Development

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

3–6 p.m. 24th meeting Conference Room 1

1. United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all [60 (c)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.4

2. Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing [60 (d)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.6

3. Crime prevention and criminal justice [98]

Draft resolution A/C.3/61/L.2

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/61/L.3, A/C.3/61/L.7/Rev.1 and A/C.3/61/L.14

4. Promotion and protection of human rights questions (A/61/36, A/61/97, A/61/220 and A/61/280) [67]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/61/211, A/61/267, A/61/281, A/61/287, A/61/289, A/61/306, A/61/311, A/61/312, A/61/324, A/61/325, A/61/338, A/61/340, A/61/348, A/61/352, A/61/353, A/61/384, A/61/464, A/61/465, A/61/476, A/61/506 and A/61/513[1])

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/61/276, A/61/349[1], A/61/360, A/61/374, A/61/369, A/61/469, A/61/470, A/61/475, A/61/489, A/61/504 and A/61/526[1])

Introductory statements, followed by a dialogue with:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967

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[1] To be issued.

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 115 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/61/5 (Vol. I), A/61/5 (Vol. III), A/61/5 (Vol. IV), A/61/5/Add.1, A/61/5/Add.2, A/61/5/Add.3, A/61/5/Add.4, A/61/5/Add.5, A/61/5/Add.6, A/61/5/Add.7, A/61/5/Add.8, A/61/5/Add.9, A/61/5/Add.11, A/61/5/Add.11/Corr.1, A/61/5/Add.12, A/61/5/Add.12/Corr.1, A/61/182, A/61/214, A/61/214/Add.1 and A/61/350)); and 127 (Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/61/214 (Part 1), A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.1, A/61/214 (Part 1)/Add.2, A/61/61 and A/61/61/Add.1))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Programme planning (A/61/16, A/61/6 (Part one), A/61/6 (Prog.1), A/61/6 (Prog.2), A/61/6 (Prog.3), A/61/6 (Prog.4), A/61/6 (Prog.5), A/61/6 (Prog.6), A/61/6 (Prog.7), A/61/6 (Prog.8), A/61/6 (Prog.9), A/61/6 (Prog.10), A/61/6 (Prog.11), A/61/6 (Prog.12), A/61/6 (Prog.13), A/61/6 (Prog.14)/Rev.1, A/61/6 (Prog.15), A/61/6 (Prog.16), A/61/6 (Prog.17), A/61/6 (Prog.18), A/61/6 (Prog.19), A/61/6 (Prog.20), A/61/6 (Prog.21), A/61/6 (Prog.22), A/61/6 (Prog.23), A/61/6 (Prog.24), A/61/6 (Prog.25), A/61/6 (Prog.26), A/61/6 (Prog.27), A/61/125, A/61/64, A/61/83 and A/61/83/Corr.1))

Sixth Committee

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal briefing on agenda item 33 (Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects)

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 100 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism)

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT)
2. United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI)

General Assembly

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Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), under agenda item 52 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Sigrid Anna Oddsen (Norway), under agenda item 51 (d) (Commodities)

From 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcelo Suárez Salvia (Argentina), under agenda item 51 (c) (External debt crisis and development)

From 4.30 to 5.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), informal presentation of the draft resolution on trade, under agenda item 51 (a) (International trade and development)

From 5.45 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

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Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the effects of atomic radiation, under agenda item 29 (Fourth Committee) (convened by the delegation of Australia)

10–11.30 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Informal consultations to present the draft resolution under agenda item 69 (a) (Streghtening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on trafficking in women and girls, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Thursday, 19 October 2006

OIC Group (Third Committee experts)

9–9.45 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

2006 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Group of 77 (on international trade and development; globalization and interdependence; international financial system; debt; remittances; eradication of poverty; international strategy for disaster reduction; and microcredit finance)

9 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on sustainable development)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

1–3 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the Outcome of the World Summit on Social Development)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

1.30–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on international migration and development)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Non-Aligned Movement (informal briefing by the Uzbek high-level delegation)

10–11.30 a.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Non-Aligned Movement: informal consultations of the NAM Working Group on Disarmament

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room A

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Human Rights

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

2.30–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Latin American and Caribbean Group (draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea) (Second Committee experts)

2–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Western European and Other States Group (on agenda item 97 (Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction))

3–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Other activities

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Thursday, 19 October 2006

Enforced disappearance — Information meeting on the draft international convention for the protection of all persons from enforced disappearance (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[The draft international convention will be presented to the General Assembly for approval at its sixty-first session. For further information, please contact Mr. François Vandeville (tel. 1 (212) 702-4963; e-mail francois.vandeville @diplomatie.gouv.fr); press contact: Mr. Axel Cruau (tel. 1 (212) 702-4943; e-mail axel.cruau@diplomatie.gouv.fr).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Thursday, 19 October 2006

Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon — Major-General Alain Pellegrini, Force Commander of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 20 October 2006

General Assembly

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10 a.m. — 37th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: second report of the General Committee (A/61/250/Add.1) [7]

2. Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/204) [108]

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [108 and (a) to (t)]: *joint debate*

(a) Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(b) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization: draft resolution (A/61/L.5)

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(d) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/61/L.4)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(f) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(g) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(h) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(i) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(j) Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/61/L.7)[1]

(k) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/61/L.6)

(l) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System

(m) Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(n) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General (A/61/185)

(o) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(p) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(q) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(r) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(s) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

(ii) Note by the Secretary-General (A/61/184)

(t) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community: report of the Secretary-General (A/61/256)

[1] To be issued.

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take action on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.2/Rev.1 and A/C.4/61/L.3/Rev.1 submitted under agenda item 30 (International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space) on Monday, 23 October at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Leslie B. Gatan (Philippines), under agenda item 69 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Husniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 55 (e) (Integration of countries with economies in transition into the world economy)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Facilitator, Ms. Katarzyna Kukier (Poland), under agenda item 51 (b) (International Financial System and Development)

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia) under agenda 55 (b) (International Migration and Development)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8;

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

Monday, 30 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6;

Wednesday, 1 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Friday, 3 November 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on the theme "Issues in scaling-up of development aid flows" on Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The lead discussant will be Ms. Benu Schneider, Chief of Debt, Finance and Systemic Issues Unit, Financing for Development Office, DESA; and panellists will include Mr. Louis Kasekende, Chief Economist, African Development Bank; Mr. Elliot Harris, Advisor, Policy Development and Review Department, International Monetary Fund; and Ms. Nora Lustig, Director, Poverty Group, Bureau of Development Policy, UNDP.

The event, organized by the Financing for Development Office, DESA, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Second Committee, and moderated by Mr. José Antonio Ocampo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, DESA. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on the theme, "Innovative finance to combat climate change" on Monday, 23 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Panellists include Prof. Robert N. Stavins, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University; and Prof. Jagdish N. Bhagwati, Economics Department, Columbia University.

The event, organized by the Division for Sustainable Development, DESA, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Committee. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Third Committee

Listed below is the tentative schedule for introductory statements by Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives, Independent Experts and other special mechanisms who will be presenting reports to the Third Committee:

Friday, 20 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Paolo Sérgio Pinheiro (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar); Mr. Vitit Muntarbhorn (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea); Ms. Sima Samar (Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan)

3 p.m.

Mr. Titinga Frédéric Pacéré (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); Mr. Akich Okola (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi)

Monday, 23 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Philip Alston (Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions); Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights defenders); Mr. Manfred Nowak (Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment)

3 p.m.

Mr. Walter Kälin (Representative of the Secretary-General on the human rights of internally displaced persons); Ms. Asma Jahangir (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief); Mr. Leandro Despouy (Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006 (agenda item 67):

10 a.m.

Mr. Martin Scheinin (Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism); Ms. Yakin Ertürk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences) – Oral report; Mr. Bernards Andrew Nyamwaya Mudho (Independent Expert on the effects of economic reform policies and foreign debt on the full enjoyment of all human rights, particularly economic, social and cultural rights)

3 p.m.

Mr. Jean Ziegler (Special Rapporteur on the right to food)

Monday, 6 November (agenda items 65 and 66):

10 a.m.

Mr. Doudou Diène (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance); Ms. Amada Benavidez de Pérez (Chairperson of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination)

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Friday, 20 October 2006, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

The 9th meeting of the Sixth Committee will be held on Monday, 23 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to begin its consideration of agenda item 78 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session).

List of speakers

The list of speakers for agenda item 78 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-eighth session) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marissa Amores (tel. 1 (212) 963-5332; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)).

General Assembly

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 231st meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Monday, 30 October 2006, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, with a view to considering and adopting the draft report.

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

Second session

The second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will take place from Monday, 30 October, to Friday, 3 November 2006, in Conference Room XX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of observers to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; e-mail ffdoffice@un.org). For further information, please contact Mr. Masa Ohyama, Financing for Development Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695; e-mail ohyama@un.org).

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Meeting of co-sponsors of draft resolution on the arms trade treaty (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of the United Kingdom)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the Declaration of the Fourth Disarmament Decade (2008-2018), under agenda item 90 (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Sierra Leone)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Meeting of co-sponsors of draft resolution on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions, under agenda item 67 (b) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the situation in Afghanistan, under agenda item 16 (convened by the delegation of Germany)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber;

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations of the subscribing States to the Hague Code of Conduct against Ballistic Missile Proliferation, under agenda item 90 (l) (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on trafficking in women and girls, under agenda item 61 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on the report of the International Atomic Energy Agency, under agenda item 81 (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Slovenia)

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room B.

Other forthcoming meetings

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African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Human Rights

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Briefing by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Europe to update Member States of the Commission on the work of ECE in the context of the changing needs and development priorities in the region

Friday, 20 October 2006, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Meeting of Legal Advisers

Monday, 23 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

Wednesday, 25 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9;

Thursday, 26 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in *Conference Room 8*; and

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For more information, please contact Ms. Laura Fähndrich (tel. 1 (212) 963-9196; e-mail fachndrich@un.org).]

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Friends of the International Criminal Court

Meeting with the Registrar of the Court (in French)

Tuesday, 31 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B; and

Meeting with the Registrar of the Court (in English)

Friday, 3 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B

UNITAR briefing on "Operationalizing the Peacebuilding Commission"

Thursday, 2 November 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengärtner (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).].

UNITAR/OLA Seminars on Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

French Seminar

Tuesday, 7 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5.45 p.m. in Conference Room E; and

English Seminar

Wednesday, 8 November 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 4.30 p.m.; and *Thursday, 9 November 2006*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Catharina Goldschmidt (tel. 1 (212) 963-9684; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org).]

Other forthcoming activities

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Briefing by the President of the International Court of Justice to State members of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Friday, 20 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Briefing by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development on its *World Investment Report 2006*

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[All are invited to attend.]

Panel discussion on "Women and peace consolidation: Ensuring gender justice when political determination meets socio-economic realities — The case of Liberia" (sponsored by the Co-Chairs of the Partners for Gender Justice in Conflict Affected Countries (Sweden and South Africa), in cooperation with UNIFEM and the International Legal Assistance Consortium)

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Vina Nadjibulla (tel. 1 (212) 906-6177; e-mail vina.nadjibulla@unifem.org).]

Special event on "Maximizing economic benefits and strengthening resilience in SIDS through sustainable tourism — Implementing the Mauritius Strategy" (organized by UN-OHRLLS and UNWTO)

Monday, 23 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Om Pradhan (tel. 1 (917) 367-5387; e-mail pradhano@un.org); or Mr. Rafeeuddin Ahmed (tel. 1 (212) 906-5375; e-mail rafeeuddin.ahmed@unifem.org).]

Special event on "How can SIDS benefit from the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)?: Resources to meet the objectives of the Mauritius Strategy" (organized by UN-OHRLLS)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Om Pradhan (tel. 1 (917) 367-5387; e-mail pradhano@un.org); or Mr. Robert Enholm (tel. 1 (917) 367-4116; or e-mail enholm@un.org).]

Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)

Monday, 30 October 2006, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in October and November, according to the following schedule:

Monday, 30 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Arabic*
Tuesday, 31 October, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Chinese*
Wednesday, 1 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *English*
Thursday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *French*
Friday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian*
Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish*

All meetings will take place in Conference Room 8.

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Wednesday, 4 October 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The

briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of th whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates t work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whene possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested t deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at Columbia University Law School and UNITAR Visitors Programme a New York University School of Law, for diplomats accredited o the United Nations

The deadline for registration is Monday, 23 October 2006. For further information, pl contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196; e-mai goldschmidt@un.org; or info@unitarny.org).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 18 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

General Committee

3rd meeting

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items

(a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Saint Lucia (A/61/233)

In accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure, statements were made by the representatives of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines and Jamaica.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines, Nigeria, Uganda, China, Chile, Haiti, Indonesia, Zimbabwe, Guinea, Cameroon, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the United Kingdom, Algeria, Bhutan and Kuwait.

The General Committee decided to invite the representative of Benin, at his request, to take a seat at the Committee's table.

The representative of Benin made a statement.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be included in the agenda of the sixty-first session under Heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters), and that it be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item: note by the Secretary-General (A/61/234)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be included in the agenda of the sixty-first session under Heading I (Organizational, administrative and other matters), and that it be considered directly in plenary meeting.

Main Committees

First Committee

16th meeting

Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (82 to 97)

The Committee continued its second stage of work, namely the "Thematic discussion on item subjects, as well as the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under items 82 to 97."

Statements were made by the representatives of the Congo, the Niger, Cuba and Nigeria.

In the exercise of right of reply, statements were made by the Russian Federation, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and Moldova.

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.15), Myanmar (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.39), the United Kingdom (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.55), Sweden (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.18), Germany (who introduced draft resolutions A/C.1/61/L.26 and A/C.1/61/L.37), Mali (who, on behalf of the Economic Community of West African States, introduced draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.25) and Sierra Leone (who introduced draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.17).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

12th meeting

Question relating to information [34]

The Committee concluded its general debate with statements by the representatives of Algeria, Egypt, Kuwait, Thailand (on behalf of ASEAN), China, Singapore, Myanmar, Yemen, Côte d'Ivoire, Bahrain, United Republic of Tanzania, Cameroon, Burkina Faso and Morocco.

The Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information made a statement.

The representative of China made a statement.

The Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information made a concluding statement.

Action on draft resolutions and a draft decision

The Committee adopted draft resolutions A and B, as well as the draft decision, all contained in document A/61/21, without a vote.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The Committee decided to take action on draft resolutions A/C.4/61/L.2/Rev.1 and A/C.4/61/L.3/Rev.1 submitted under item 30, on Monday, 23 October at 10 a.m.

Third Committee

21st meeting

Implementation of human rights instruments [6

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [6

The Committee began its general discussion under the sub-item and heard statemen the representatives of Cuba, the Sudan, Mongolia, Uzbekistan, India, Kenya, Ghana Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), Saudi Arabia, Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and Portugal.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of sub-items 67 (a) and (d).

22nd meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights (A/60/36, A/60/97, A/60/220 and A/60/2 [67]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representative

The Committee began its joint consideration of the sub-items and heard an address the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Question time

The Committee engaged in a dialogue with the High Commissioner for Human Rig in which the representatives of the Sudan, Finland (on behalf of the European Unio India, Cuba, China, New Zealand, Japan, Benin, Kenya, Uzbekistan, Canada, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Turkey, Georgia, Mexico, Burkina Faso, Guatemala, the United States and Togo took part.

Introductory statements were also made by the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Offic in-Charge of the New York Office of the High Commissioner of Human Rights. A question was posed by the representative of Cuba, to which the Director of the Div for Social Policy and Development, responded.

The Committee then began its general discussion of the sub-items and heard statements by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), China and Egypt.

Right of reply

The representative of the Sudan made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Chairman reminded delegations that the deadline for submission of draft proposals under sub-item (b) and (c) was Thursday, 2 November, at 6 p.m.

It was announced that the general discussion under agenda item 67, sub-items (b) and (c), would resume on Wednesday, 25 October.

The Secretary made a statement.

Fifth Committee

8th meeting

Programme planning [118]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), India, Japan, Belarus, Ghana, the United States, Kenya, Pakistan, Cuba, South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Egypt, China and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Chairperson of the Committee for Programme and Coordination made a concluding statement.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item would begin on Thursday, 19 October, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 5, under the chairmanship of Mr. Ahmed Farooq (Pakistan).

Organization of work

The representative of Mexico, Rapporteur of the Committee and coordinator of agenda item 133 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi), made a statement.

Sixth Committee

8th meeting

Consideration of effective measures to enhance the protection, security and safety of diplomatic and consular missions and representatives [76]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 76.

Statements were made by the representatives of Norway (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; as well as Ukraine and Moldova), Canada (on behalf of CANZ), Malaysia, Israel, Cuba, the Russian Federation and the Sudan.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on this item.

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts [75]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 75.

Statements were made by the representatives of Australia (on behalf of CANZ), Finland (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries Turkey, Croatia and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia; as well as Ukraine and Moldova), Sweden (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Guyana (on behalf of the Rio Group), the United Arab Emirates, the Sudan, Switzerland, Mexico, Qatar, Ghana, Malaysia, Japan, Kenya, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, the United States, Israel and Lebanon. A statement was also made by the observer of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Committee thus concluded its debate on this item.

Corrigendum

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

First Committee

Corrigendum to the summary of the First Committee (see *Journal* No. 2006/201, p. 24: the number of the meeting *should read* 15th *instead of* 13th.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Agreement concerning the Adoption of Uniform Technical Prescriptions for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles and the Conditions for Reciprocal Recognition of Approvals Granted on the Basis of These Prescriptions. Geneva, 20 March 1958

Notification of disagreement under article 1 (2) of the Agreement with respect to Draft Regulation: "Uniform provisions concerning the approval of wheels for passenger cars": Thailand (17 October 2006)[1]

Notification of disagreement under article 1 (2) of the Agreement with respect to Draft Regulation: "Uniform provisions concerning the approval of adaptive front-lighting systems (AFS) for motor vehicles": Thailand (17 October 2006)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999

Accession: Republic of Korea (18 October 2006)[1]

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Ratification: Republic of Korea (18 October 2006)[1]

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Notification under article 16 (5), 18 (13), 18 (14) and 31 (6): Monaco (18 October 2006)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Ratification: Senegal (18 October 2006)[1]

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network. Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Correction to the authentic Chinese, English and Russian texts of Annex 1 of the Agreement: (18 October 2006)[1]

Treaty event

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network
Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Opening for signature

The above Agreement was adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its sixty-second session by resolution number 62/4 on the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network, held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 12 April 2006.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

It shall be open for signature by States, which are members of the United Natio
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, at Busan, Republic
Korea, on 10 and 11 November 2006, during the Ministerial Conference on Tra
and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 16 November
31 December 2008.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russi
are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as so
feasible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established
international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers fo
Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on b
a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representative
wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which
expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issu
signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Cred
alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement
notify and, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance to
Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New Y
(tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for th
month of *October 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Gambia
H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Kenzo Oshima

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Miloš Prica

Latin American and Caribbean States
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Cordovez

Western European and other States
Liechtenstein
H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser

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A/61/11/Corr.1	Report on the Committee on Contributions — Supplement No. 11 [A C E F R S]
A/61/53	Report of the Human Rights Council — First session (19-30 June 2006) — First special session (5-6 July 2006) — Second special session (11 August 2006) — Supplement No. 53 [A C E F R S]

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A/61/515 Item 55 (b) — Globalization and interdependence: international migration and development — Summary of the High-level Dialogue on International Migration an Development — Note by the President of the General Assembly [A C E F R S]

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